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## MEDIA RELEASE

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### CONTRACTORS WILL EDUCATE THE INDUSTRY ABOUT WATER USE ON CONSTRUCTION SITES

#### *San Diego City Attorney's Office Settles Case*

**San Diego, CA:** Bosa Development California, Inc. and Pacific Rim Mechanical Contractors, Inc. doing business as Encompass Mechanical Services have agreed, as part of a settlement, to produce a training video and place an advertisement in a trade newspaper which will help educate other contractors and developers about how to properly obtain and use the City's water resources. The action is a result of negligent acts by some employees of the companies. Code Enforcement Deputy, Yolanda Gammill filed an action against Bosa Development California, Inc. and Encompass Mechanical Services after the City's Water Department's Code Compliance Officers discovered the companies were using the City's water without a meter, a backflow device, or atmospheric vacuum breakers for approximately fourteen months. The water was used to complete a downtown construction project. The companies have also agreed to pay treble damages, civil penalties, and investigative costs totaling \$296,000.

Bosa Development California, Inc. and Encompass Mechanical Services immediately took responsibility for the acts of their employees. "We are pleased to see the companies take responsibility for their negligent actions and assist the City in educating the public," City Attorney Casey Gwinn said.

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